GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1690
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2006
PROGRESS OF ASSAM ACCORD
Sarma Dr. Arun Kumar

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the agreed time frame for clause-wise implementation of Assam Accord is being adhered to;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of progress made so far after the tripartite talks held with All Assam Student Union and Government o f Assam subsequent to PM level meeting of May 05, 2005?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a) to (d): A Statement is annexed.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1690 FOR 8.8.2006 RAISED BY DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA REGARDING PROGRESS OF ASSAM ACCORD.

(a) to (d): Action has been completed on various clauses of the Assam Accord. Certain clauses of the Accord viz. economic development of Assam, measures to prevent infiltration are of continuous nature and need to be monitored continuously. Government of Assam has held discussions with All Assam Students Union (AASU) to decide agreed time frame for various clauses of the accord.

2. In pursuance of decisions taken in the tripartite meeting chaired by the Prime Minister on 5.5.2005, following action has been taken:

a) The Government of Assam has started the work to update the National Register of Citizens (NRC). The Central Government has released an amount of Rs. 1.02 crore in 2005-06 to the State Government for this purpose. It has been agreed that additional Rs. 2 crore will be made available to the State Government for this work in the current financial year.

b) Border fencing under Phase II along Indo-Bangladesh border in Assam is expected to be completed by December 2006. The Central Government has also approved the proposal for replacement of border fencing constructed in Phase I.

c) Work for implementation of Assam Gas Cracker project has started.

d) Government is committed to provide all possible assistance to the State of Assam to deal with the flood problem.

e) The Government of Assam has been asked to engage an internationally renowned Consultant for preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for revival of Ashok Paper Mill.

3 . The implementation of the Assam Accord reviewed by the Union Home Minister on 2.1.2006 and by Secretary (Border Management) on 29.7.2006.